

Attorney Docket No. 03398/LH

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Y. GOTFRIED
Serial No. : 10/616,218
Filed : JULY 8, 2003
For : INTRAMEDULLARY NAIL SYSTEM AND
METHOD FOR FIXATION OF A FRACTURED
BONE
Art Unit : 3733
Examiner : DAVIS, DANIEL J.
Customer No.: 01933

RESPONSE- 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
March 28, 2006, the term for response to which is extended by
one-month by Petition filed concurrently herewith to expire on
May 28, 2006.

ELECTION

Applicant hereby elects Invention I, claims 1-28, drawn to
an apparatus, for further prosecution on the merits, without
traverse.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits
now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

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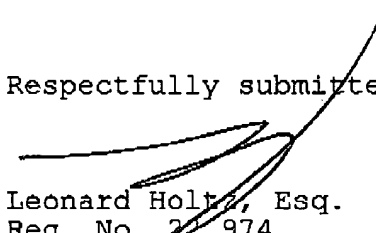
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It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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